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Meeting of the Columbia Basin Partnership Task Force of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the proposed schedule and agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee's (MAFAC's) Columbia Basin Partnership Task Force (CBP Task Force). The CBP Task Force will discuss the issues outlined in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

DATES: The meeting will be held June 19, 2018, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on June 20, 2018, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Columbia Gorge Hotel, 4000 West Cliff Drive, Hood River, OR 97031; 541-386-5566.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katherine Cheney; NFMS West Coast Region; 503-231-6730; e-mail: *Katherine.Cheney@noaa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given of a meeting of MAFAC's CBP Task Force. The MAFAC was established by the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) and, since 1971, advises the Secretary on all living marine resource matters that are the responsibility

of the Department of Commerce. The MAFAC charter and summaries of prior MAFAC

meetings are located online at https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/topic/partners#marine-fisheries-

advisory-committee-. The CBP Task Force reports to MAFAC and is being convened to develop

recommendations for long-term goals to meet Columbia Basin salmon recovery, conservation

needs, and harvest opportunities, in the context of habitat capacity and other factors that affect

salmon mortality. More information is available at the CBP Task Force web page:

http://www.westcoast.fisheries.noaa.gov/columbia_river/index.html.

Matters to be Considered

The meeting time and agenda are subject to change. Meeting topics to be discussed

include draft qualitative and quantitative goals for the Columbia Basin species, approaches to

integrate the information towards developing basin-wide goals, and the outline and components

of the report. The meeting is open to the public as observers, and public input will be accepted

on June 20, 2018, from 1:15 to 1:45 p.m., limited to the time available.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign

language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Katherine Cheney, 503-231-

6730, by June 8, 2018.

Dated: May 29, 2018.

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